



## SUNNYVALE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

### *Memorandum*

DATE: March 1, 2017

TO: DPS Personnel

**SUBJECT: Inquiries Regarding Immigration Enforcement**

The Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety has not been requested by any federal agency to participate in the 287 (g) program of the Department of Homeland Security (deputization of local law enforcement agencies to support Federal immigration efforts). The Department of Public Safety does not intend to participate in such program if asked because we do not have the resources nor the expertise to enforce federal immigration laws. Furthermore, the Department is committed in providing public safety services to all of our residents with dignity and respect. Our values are in alignment with the City of Sunnyvale's Statement on Our City Values and Public Service. Please see attached document.

An inquiry was also made about our level of cooperation and operations with these federal agencies. As a matter of practice, cities do not provide public information regarding future law enforcement operations with local, state, or federal agencies - as not to compromise the law enforcement work, threaten safety conditions for those involved, and/or compromise an investigation/s. With respect to whether the City has a working relationship with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the Department's policy is we will review every law enforcement agency request for assistance on a case-by-case basis to determine whether we have the resources or expertise to assist - and also, that our actions are in alignment with the City's values and Council approved Statement.

It is imperative that every department member's response to inquiries are consistent with the Department's position and in alignment with the City's Values and Council approved Statement.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phan S. Ngo", is written over a horizontal line.

Phan S. Ngo  
Chief, Public Safety